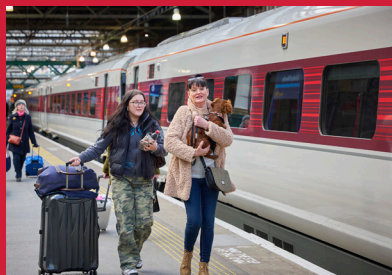


# PROPOSED DECEMBER 2024 TIMETABLE CHANGES

## Consultation on Glasgow and Stirling extensions

Spring 2024



# Changes to our timetable from December 2024

LNER's vision is to become the most loved, progressive and responsible railway for generations to come.

To achieve this, we need to ensure that rail travel offers good value and is reliable for everyone across the route.

Under the proposals, two direct services to and from Glasgow Central and Stirling would no longer feature in our timetable, and as a result some existing services will start and terminate at different stations.

The areas are already served by other train operators and the rail industry will work together to ensure customers continue to be well served by rail links. LNER would still call at Stirling as part of its daily service to and from Inverness.

Stations	Proposed changes to our timetable*
Stirling (and Falkirk Grahamston)	<b>Southbound</b> Remove 05.34 Stirling service Remove 05.47 Falkirk Grahamston service
	<b>Northbound</b> Remove 20.12 Stirling service Remove 19.58 Falkirk Grahamston service
Glasgow Central (and Motherwell)	<b>Southbound</b> Remove 06.48 Glasgow Central service Remove 07.04 Motherwell service
	<b>Northbound</b> 21.03 Motherwell service 21.26 Glasgow Central service

\*Timings as in December 2023 timetable.

These changes mean that LNER will no longer stop at Haymarket (Edinburgh) and 06.14 and 07.48 southbound and 19.33 and 20.24 northbound (as in December 2023 timetable)

The decision to remove some direct services reflects the changes in travel patterns in recent years with more customers choosing to travel for leisure than business.

As a result, some LNER services are now being used by very few customers, particularly the early morning Stirling service and Glasgow Central service where there are already rail links provided by other train operators.

# Changes at Glasgow and Motherwell

We are proposing to remove the Glasgow Central and Motherwell to London King's Cross direct train service.

This means we would no longer call at Glasgow Central at 06.48 southbound and 21.26 northbound, and we would also not call at Motherwell at 07.04 southbound and 21.03 northbound.

Glasgow<>London would continue to be served by Avanti West Coast. Both Glasgow and Motherwell would continue to be served by ScotRail services.

Departing from Glasgow before 07.00 in the morning, and not arriving back in Glasgow until after 21.00, these trains are not particularly well utilised, particularly northbound.

The LNER service to Glasgow Central is a legacy of the East Coast Main Line electrification in the 1990s, when it was faster to travel from London to Glasgow via the East Coast. Since 2007, it has been faster to get from London to Motherwell and Glasgow Central via the West Coast Main Line. In 2011, LNER retained just one return train a day to Glasgow Central while the remaining seven paths in each direction were transferred to CrossCountry.

The services would still operate south of Edinburgh and alternative connections are available to provide cross-border journey opportunities at more popular times using Glasgow Queen Street and Edinburgh Waverley as an interchange.

It has always been faster to use Glasgow Queen Street and connect using ScotRail to East Coast Main Line services at Edinburgh Waverley, and since the electrification of the Edinburgh Waverley to Glasgow Queen Street, there are now faster, more frequent and higher capacity trains running between Glasgow Queen Street and Edinburgh Waverley than ever before.

## Changes at Stirling and Falkirk Grahamston (early morning and evening services)

We propose to remove the Stirling to Edinburgh portion of the 05.34 Stirling to King's Cross service and the Edinburgh to Stirling portion of the 15.00 London King's Cross to Stirling service.

This change would also see the removal of the 05.47 southbound departure from Falkirk Grahamston and the 19.58 northbound arrival.

However, both Stirling and Falkirk Grahamston would continue to be served by our daily Inverness service, which calls at Stirling at 10.34 southbound and 17.19 northbound, and at Falkirk Grahamston at 10.48 southbound and 17.03 northbound.

The LNER early-morning/evening services from/to Stirling were added in 2015 under Virgin Trains East Coast. Departing from Stirling before 06.00 in the morning southbound, and not arriving back in Stirling until after 20.00, these trains have not been well utilised, particularly southbound.

The trains would still operate south of Edinburgh and alternative connections are available to provide cross-border journey opportunities at more popular times. The daily return Highland Chieftain service between Inverness and London will still call at Stirling and Falkirk Grahamston.

## Weekday train times simplifier

Stations	Train times	LNER removal	Still served by
Stirling	<b>Southbound</b> 05.34 <b>Northbound</b> 20.12	Reduce by half (Remove 1 train per day each way, weekdays only)	LNER 1 train per day per direction  ScotRail connection to Edinburgh
Falkirk Grahamston	<b>Southbound</b> 05.47 <b>Northbound</b> 19.58	Reduce by half (Remove 1 train per day each way, weekdays only)	LNER 1 train per day per direction  ScotRail connection to Edinburgh
Glasgow Central	<b>Southbound</b> 06.48 <b>Northbound</b> 21.26	Remove all (1 train per day each way)	Avanti West Coast  ScotRail connection to Edinburgh
Motherwell	<b>Southbound</b> 07.04 <b>Northbound</b> 21.03	Remove all (1 train per day each way)	Avanti West Coast  ScotRail connection to Edinburgh
Haymarket (Edinburgh)	<b>Southbound</b> 06.14 and 07.48 <b>Northbound</b> 19.33 and 20.24	Reduce by half (Remove up to 2 train per day each way)	LNER 5 train per day per direction  ScotRail/tram/bus connections to Edinburgh Waverley and Haymarket



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### Have your say about these proposed changes

The changes proposed are not yet confirmed and are subject to consultation. The 8-week consultation commences 22 January and ends on 18 March 2024.

If you would like to comment on these proposals contact LNER by Monday 18 March 2024 using the details below:

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After the consultation closes, we will review all feedback carefully and inform stakeholders of the decisions made.





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